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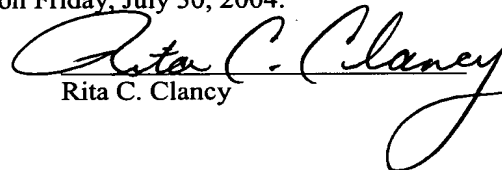
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of M. Shima , T. Koide, K. Hosokawa, T. Suzuki, and M. Nagata  
Application No. 10/018,875  
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Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Sir:

It is hereby requested that the term to respond to the Examiner's Action of  
March 30, 2004 be extended one month, from June 30, 2004 to July 30, 2004.

A check to cover the extension fee is enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby  
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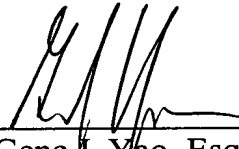
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this communication or the accompanying Reply to Deposit Account No. 19-5425. A  
duplicate of this letter is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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